## N THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Brian M. HAUGE et al.

Appln. No.: 09/754,853

Filed:

January 5, 2001

For:

**Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other** 

Molecules Associated with Soybean

Cyst Nematode Resistance

Art Unit:

1638

Examiner:

David H. KRUSE

Atty. Docket:

16517.187

Confirmation No.: 4137

## Petition to Revive Unintentionally Abandoned Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attn: Mail Stop Petition

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Abandonment mailed July 1, 2003, Applicants hereby petition for revival of the above-captioned application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b). Authorization to charge the official fees for this petition is given in the accompanying transmittal letter. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

An Office Action was mailed to Applicants on December 11, 2002, setting a six-month period for reply. A reply to the Office Action mailed December 11, 2002 is included herewith.

In view of the above, Applicants assert that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) was unintentional, and respectfully request that the application be revived.

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In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe that any fees, other than those provided for in the accompanying transmittal letter, are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing matter number 16517.187. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)(3)** 

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Sir:

As required to comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.137 in the Petition to Revive the above-referenced patent application, Applicants assert that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to this paragraph was unintentional.

Should the Commissioner require additional information, he is invited to contact the undersigned at the number provided.

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